

MINUTES

DECATUR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM

TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2017

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN PETE STEPHENS, VICE CHAIRMAN DENNIS BRINSON, COMMISSIONERS RUSTY DAVIS, STEVE BROCK, GREG MURRAY AND GEORGE ANDERSON, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ALAN THOMAS, COUNTY CLERK BEVERLY KING, COUNTY ATTORNEY BRUCE KIRBO AND NEWS REPORTER POWELL COBB.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Pete Stephens called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. After the call to order, Reverend Mike Brown gave the invocation and all those assembled pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

There were no Special Presentations.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation.

APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Meeting held March 28, 2017. Vice Chairman Brinson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

**Point Broadband Update – Mr. Jason Gauntt.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Alan Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated that Jason Gauntt was scheduled to attend this meeting but failed to show. County Administrator Thomas stated in Mr. Gauntt's absence he would present the agreement between Decatur County and Point Broadband, LLC. for the Board's consideration. In this agreement, it specifies how Point Broadband can use County towers to attach broadband equipment, with the weight of this equipment being less than what is on the towers now. County Administrator Thomas stated that this is not an automatically renewing contract, this contract is for a period of five years. After the first year, the County can terminate this agreement upon a 365-day written notice. After the five years, the Board can renegotiate the agreement if so desired. County Administrator Thomas said for the use of the three towers under this agreement, Point Broadband will provide the County with two internet services for each tower, a total of six internet connections at no charge. Point Broadband is required to pay for all electrical service installation at the tower sites. If Point Broadband ever wants to change or upgrade anything on the towers, it must be approved by the Board of Commissioners prior to them making the changes. Point Broadband must give notification to the County's 911 system before accessing the towers for any purpose. County Administrator Thomas recommended the Board approve this agreement. Vice Chairman Brinson made a motion to approve this agreement. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

**Consider Purchase of Rescue Pumper – Fire Department.** Chairman Stephens recognized County Administrator Thomas. County Administrator Thomas stated that the County requested proposals for a rescue pumper for the Fire Department. Those bids were received and opened last Thursday with a total of 4 bids. The low bid on the initial opening of the bids was NAFECO with

a bid of \$421,849.00. County Administrator Thomas stated in reviewing the proposal submitted by NAFECO, they had left out several items in their bid, therefore, they did not meet the requests for proposal. County Administrator Thomas stated that NAFECO requested that their bid be withdrawn which moved us to the next low bid from Deep South in the amount of \$424,340.00. County Administrator Thomas stated that Deep South did meet all the requirements in their proposal and recommended the Board approve the purchase from Deep South. Commissioner Brock made a motion to approve this purchase from Deep South in the amount of \$424,240.00. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

**COMMISSIONERS / ADMINISTRATOR'S REMARKS**

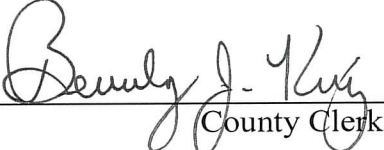
All the Commissioners thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Commissioner Anderson announced the Military Appreciation Night to be held Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at the Bainbridge High School Baseball Field and encouraged everyone to attend to support all the veterans.

Chairman Stephens thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and commended County Administrator Thomas on doing a great job in running the County business.

There being no further business, the meeting, on motion by Vice Chairman Brinson, was duly adjourned. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Approved:   
Chairman

Attest:   
County Clerk